HOUSE BILL 41

By Montgomery

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 12, Chapter 9; Title 58, Chapter 8 and Title 68, Chapter 140, relative to responses by emergency services personnel in certain circumstances.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 58-8-105, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(e) In addition to any agreement for mutual aid made under title 5 or title 12, a governmental entity is authorized to request mutual aid for emergency medical services provided under title 68, chapter 140, from the emergency communications dispatch center of a county that is contiguous to the requesting county or governmental entity for occurrences that involve serious injuries or possible loss of life in instances that might not reasonably lead to a declared emergency.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 58-8-107, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(d) In addition to any agreement for mutual aid made under title 5 or title 12, a governmental entity is authorized to respond to a request for mutual aid for emergency medical services under § 58-8-105(e) from a county that is contiguous to the requesting county or governmental entity for occurrences that involve serious injuries or possible loss of life in instances that might not reasonably lead to a declared emergency. A county is authorized to enter into a mutual aid agreement under title 12 to permit routine and automatic approval of and response to such requests.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011, the public welfare requiring it.